THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of pending applications are not published until after Government has taken a view thereon.

(c) Issues such as viability of the pro ject, suitability of product mix, assured availability of feedstock and availability of financial resources, etc. are yet to be resolved with the State Government.

Crisis In the DMT Industry

1497. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news captioned "Severe crisis in DMT Industry" which appeared in the Indian Express of 26th February 1986;

(b) whether it is a fact that two out of three Dimethyle Terephthalate (DMT) Industry have laready been closed and the third one is on the verge of closure;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and how many workers have been rendered jobless;

(d) whether the huge stock of DMT has been accumulated for want of buyers;

(e) if so, the details of the stocks accumulated in each factory;

(f) how much import of PTA have been allowed after the icommencement Of newly DMT producing plants;

(g) what steps have been taken to dis pose of the accumulated stocks of DMT and to reopen the factories which are closed;

(h) whether "any representations havei been reqeived in this connection from any quarters; and

(i) if so, what are the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH), (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) Only, one DMT Plant has been closed reportedly due to market constraints. As per information obtained none of the workers has been laid off.

(d) and (e) The stock with the DMT manufacturers in January 1986 were as follows: —

Name of the Unit	Quantity tonnes (Approximate)
(i) M/s Bombay Dyeing and Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	10,000
(ii) M/s. Bongaigaon Refinery and Petro-chemicals Ltd.	6,000
(iii) M/s. Indian Petro-chemicals Corporation Ltd.	2,000

(f) Lincences for import of PTA by fhe actual users for a total quantity of about 39,000 tonnes were issued.

(g) With a view to discourage imports, DMT and PTA have been shifted from,' OGL-'to ^limited pertnissible category 'and the import duty on DMT and PTA has been increased.

(h) Yes, Sir.

(i) Details include mainly low off-take by the consumers and suggested measures to improve the position. Steps have been taken to encourage the use of indigenous .DMT to the maximum extent possible.

Products of E-Merck

1498. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that E-Merck manufacture eifhe,- Harmone and Vitamin preparation of price decontrcl Nasal props;

(b) whether it is also a fact th'at Harmone preparations are exempted from Price Control Order, 1979.

(c) jf so, names of other products except Harmones, Vitamin and Nasal driops preparations; 'being marketed by company 'alongwith sale$_s$ turnover of each during the ltast thre$_e$ years, year-wise;

(d) names of the products being marketed by the company whcih are exsm-ted from price control order 1979 adding-with the price of each before the price control and fhe price in January, 1986;

(e) what was 'the percentage increase or decrease j$_n$ each case; and

(f) what was the total $_s$a'es turnover of this company, overall profitability to total sales turnover of formulations alongwith the sales turnover $_0$f Vitamin and Harmones preparations, during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH;): (a) and (c) E-Merck- manufacture Harmo$_{ne}$ Vitamin preparations, Nasal drops as well as some other formulations. The sales-turnover of individual formulation is not monitored.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) A Statement furnishing the information is attached,,

(f) To the extent information is available, during t'he year 1984, the total domestic sale$_s$ turnover of formulations of E-Merck (India) Limited vyas Rs. 23.27 crores. The percentage of pre-tax profit on formulations marketed in the country was only 7.7 per-cent. Sales turnover of Bitamins and Harmones produced by the company is not available.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the price exempted formulation	Pack size	Retail price before DPCO, 1979	Latest available retail price	Percentage increase
1	Encephabol Tabs.	20's	22·01	35·68	62·11
	100mg/tab.	100's	100·44	169·93	69·19
	200mg/tab.	10's	..	30·90	..
2	Encephabol Suspension	100 ml.	23·40	40·71	73·97
		200 ml.	..	72·60	..
3	Encephabol Infusion	3 peris	..	24·44	..
		50's	13·10	17·56	34·05
4	Lithocarb Caps.	250's	56·08	79·86	42·40
5	Merckenzyme Tabs.	10's	10·54	11·22	6·45
6	Nasivion	10 ml.	3·26	9·13	180·06
7	Nasivion (Pead)	10 ml.	..	8·44	..
8	Pasuma strong	50's	14·47	26·64	84·11
9	Styptobion Tabs.	10's	4·56	6·49	42·32
		200's	66.51	94·19	41·62
10	Stypotobion Inj.	10Amp.	25·00	46·58	86·32
		100 Amp.	225·71	420·60	86·35
11	Testobion Inj.	10 Amp.	18·24	68·95	278·02
		50 Amp.	84·45	306·11	262·47